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A better country than the San Fernando Valley to live in may have been made, but has not yet been discovered.

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MULHOLLAND IN A STATEMENT TO THE NEWSPAPERS OF LOS ANGELES SAYS: "THE AQUEDUCT IS FINISHED," AND THAT THE WATER WILL BE TURNED INTO THE MAINS BY MAY 15TH

The Los Angeles Herald in its issue of March 24, had the following to say:

"MULHOLLAND ANNOUNCES \$26,000,000 WORK ENDED

"Owens river water, coming 252 miles from Inyo county to Los Angeles, is to be turned into the mains in Los Angeles May 15.

"This announcement was made today by Chief Aqueduct Engineer Mulholland. He stated that the Franklin canyon trunk line would be completed before that date, and that the flood gates would be opened, sending the aqueduct water into every home supplied by the city water works.

"By completing the Franklin canyon trunk line, the entire aqueduct will be finished. The mammoth undertaking represents an expenditure of more than \$26,000,000.

"May 1 had been selected by Mulholland for the date of the opening of the aqueduct, but the recent storm broke the Antelope valley siphon at Neenack. This will cause a delay of 15 days in the arrangements, as the work had to be centered at Neenack instead of on the Franklin canyon trunk line.

Forces Pipe Back

"Engineer Mulholland repaired the Neenack break and forced the pipe back to its original shape by turning in the water to full pressure. The pipe, he says, is as good as if it had never been damaged.

"Official notification of the turning in of the water will be sent to the council several weeks in advance."

The above article is surely the talk of one who is endeavoring to hoodwink the dear public into believing something that is an impossibility. With no money to finish and the pipes 14 miles from any main, how will Mr. Mulholland get the water to the Los Angeles mains? Carry it down in a bucket probably, or perchance he has, on his own account, built an underground pipe line and will make good his statements. But the public has listened to his pratings about long enough now; they'll have to be shown.

The Neenack break was repaired, too. Must be some pipe.

The statement of Mulholland is very different from a substantiation of the report of Engineer Finkle some time ago, which is printed herewith:

MULHOLLAND, FINKLE AND OWENS VALLEY PAPERS SUBSTANTIATE CLAIMS MADE AGAINST QUALITY OF WATER AND COST OF PROJECT

Many blunders and plunders are coming to light regarding the aqueduct, in trips made to the neighboring cities. They all call the aqueduct an expensive blunder and ridicule the quality of water it will deliver, some day in the distant future. The day is coming when those in favor of annexation will come to a realization when we state that Los Angeles has ulterior motives in asking the surrounding territory to annex in order to secure the aqueduct water and other conveniences.

Some months ago the Examiner printed a letter in full, signed by F. C. Finkle, an expert engineer, and substantiated by Engineer Mulholland. The letter was as follows:

"The aqueduct has already cost, including interest during construction, about \$38,000,000, and is indeed far from completed. I hinted that it might cost as much as \$50,000,000 to complete a proper aqueduct when it was first proposed, and I am now sure that the city will have to expend enough more to make this sum before the citizens have what they expected to receive for \$23,000,000. In an attempt to keep the cost within the \$24,500,000 voted in bonds and the several more millions obtained from the water revenues or raised by taxation to pay interest during construction, such poor work has been done in many places that the aqueduct is already practically ready to go out of commission, where a small amount of water has flowed through it for some five months between the intake and Haiwee reservoir.

"In the month of September last, when I incidentally saw it at a few points, not only was it broken in numerous places, but the concrete work was flaking off and disintegrating so rapidly that but a short period of time will elapse before it must be completely reconstructed. Also, the Haiwee reservoir was leaking so badly with only 26 feet depth of water that one can readily foresee its failure if it should be filled to a depth of 74

feet as intended. All of these conditions are shown in photographs which I took and which I will be pleased to exhibit to anyone interested enough to call at my office, 448-449 L. W. Hellman building.

"As a large property owner in the city no one could wish more than I that all these defects might be cured by a monster celebration held before the aqueduct has ever been tested to its full capacity. I cannot help but regard this celebration as a fake, when we consider that a small stream of water was passed down to dry Canyon reservoir for 40 days to fill it up and thus accumulate sufficient water, turned out in a rush, to deceive the dear public and create the impression that enough water had flowed down to give the aqueduct any sort of a test.

"Honesty of purpose would have demanded that before any celebration or dedication of the aqueduct should take place its full capacity in water should have been carried for, say, 60 days, to demonstrate that the work had been completed.

"For at least five months beginning March last and covering the season of highest run-off from melting snows, during the present year, the water was carried into Haiwee reservoir, until the aqueduct broke down and the reservoir began to leak so badly that the diversion was discontinued. During this time 24,000 acre feet was accumulated in the reservoir which, if filled, would have a capacity of about 63,000 acre feet.

"This 24,000 acre feet would amount to a constant flow of 3972 inches for five months, instead of 20,000 inches.

You can see by the morning paper of March 13, 1906, that I predicted the flow of Owens river in a low year might vary from 7665 inches to 4539 inches and that it would not furnish 20,000 inches except in wet years.

"The year's experience has certainly more than verified my statements made at that time. The people who attended the celebration and who do not know the conditions are certainly being grossly misled.

"I am willing to remain on record as saying that the aqueduct is far from completed; that 20,000 inches of water is not available and that many millions of dollars more must be expended before we have any aqueduct or water supply worth talking about. "A small flow accumulated for 40 days and turned down in a rush, the mixture consisting partly of water from Owens river and partly of other water taken from creeks en route to Los Angeles, is not a demonstration that there is an aqueduct which will carry 20,000 inches of water, nor that this much of supply is available.

"If those in charge of the aqueduct will fill up Haiwee reservoir with water and attempt to deliver 20,000 inches continuo, now for a year, there will be an entirely different story to tell and I am sure that in this event my statements will be fully vindicated. I have never said that they could not do what has been done so far, because the weakest kind of construction work will stand to carry a few thousand inches of water.

Says Others Control

"As to securing the water, Mr. Fred Eaton and the Owens Valley Defense Association in Owen's valley above the aqueduct, to say nothing about others, have so many claims that the portion left to the city as waste water will not cut much figure. Also Mr. Eaton controls Long Valley reservoir site, except below the 100-foot contour; hence the city cannot even build a large enough reservoir to store storm water for obtaining a supply.

"All I can say in conclusion is that I pity the Board of Public Service Commissioners who have to take over this mess and try to straighten it out. The troubles they will have and the cost to the city from now on are things which the people at large do not realize, nor do I apprehend that the fact of having held a celebration will make this burden any lighter. History will no doubt record that no one was benefited by the celebration, except those having real estate for sale in the San Fernando valley.

"He who laughs last laughs best, and ere many moons when it comes to make an actual delivery of the promised 20,000 inches of water and the balance has been struck to show what this has cost, I assure you that my own laugh will be much heartier than any inspired by celebrations proclaiming that a thing has been accomplished before it had happened.

Respectfully yours,

F. C. FINKLE.

South Pasadena Record.

"IF ROSE WILL ONLY TELL "WHAT HE SEES

"It is reported that Mayor Rose of Los Angeles intends to make an inspection of the aqueduct for the purpose of verifying or disproving the claims made against it during the past few months. We are indebted to Thursday's Examiner for this statement:

"Constant reports that the Haiwee reservoir on the aqueduct is in bad condition and may need expensive and extensive repairs, caused Mayor Rose to announce today that he would again make an inspection of the entire aqueduct.

"I am planning to take a part of my vacation about the end of the month and I shall go up into the aqueduct territory," said Rose. "I will refuse to be accompanied by any engineers or anyone who has any ax to grind. I think I am able to distinguish when a thing is good or bad and I will do my own investigating."

"Good! No one could ask for anything better.

"But it will just about Mayor Rose's position to tell the truth on his return.

"If he does tell the truth—and we sincerely hope he will have the nerve to do it—he will report that the

AS OTHERS SEE US

WHAT THE TROPICO CONSOLIDATED CLUB THINKS OF THE SENTINEL

"The Tropico Sentinel as a newspaper is a pack of lies; the editor is a liar. We will refuse to recognize the medium." The foregoing is what the Tropico Consolidated Club thinks of us. If we are liars, why don't they come out and answer us and show us the paper and its stories instead of holding secret meetings in a public building, thereby breaking laws that whoever allowed the building to be used for such purposes, they promised to uphold when they were elected by the voters of Tropico. A reporter on the Sentinel, who attended one of these meetings, was informed that he was not wanted and the informant in reply to several questions that were asked, either could not answer them or would not.

Every article in the Sentinel in regards to annexation is taken from authentic reports of persons who have spent time and money in preparing and in case they can be refuted, why shouldn't they be instead of so much secrecy.

As was stated Jan. 1, the Sentinel will accept and will publish any article submitted.

To the Consolidated Club we would respectfully ask that you answer some of the important questions asked? It might have a tendency to gain a few more votes on election day. Certainly these secret meetings are not going to help you.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN REGULAR SESSION

The Trustees met in regular session at the City Hall Thursday evening. All members present, except Conrad.

A communication from agents of the Stepper tract offering, for a consideration, parcel of land for use as a City Hall site, was read and placed on file.

I offer for property on San Fernando road, near Wilkinson court, was also placed on file.

A communication from the Pacific Electric railway was in answer to a request from the Trustees that the railway company lower tracks on Brand boulevard, preparatory to the work of improvement. Mr. Shoup stated that it would be impossible for that work to be done at this time.

An ordinance regulating the salary of certain officials was up for the first and second readings.

The following demands were approved by the finance committee and ordered paid:

A. M. Kemp.....\$ 24.85

T. R. Sinclair.....125.00

The third reading of an ordinance regulating the garbage collection was approved and ordered published.

The resignation of City Attorney Baker was read and accepted, to take effect April 15.

The City Clerk reported that the petition on consolidation had been thoroughly gone over and that there were 445 bona fide electors' names thereon. The City Attorney was instructed to prepare the necessary resolution for a special election as soon as possible.

MRS. ROBERT C. PALMER SLEEPS IN PEACE

Mrs. Palmer, who passed away last week in Los Angeles, was a former resident of 321 Oak drive. Her noble and Christian life won the hearts of all who knew her. She was of a beautiful character, kind and loving disposition and her first thoughts were always of others. Mrs. Palmer was an accomplished young woman and won some distinction in art and china painting. She spent the greater part of her life in Oakland and San Francisco, where a host of friends will mourn her loss. She was the niece of Mrs. William S. Folger of Berkeley, daughter of Mrs. Frank Baker Smith of 1604 Burchett street, Glendale, and wife of R. C. Palmer of Los Angeles.

Franklin Canyon pipe line was washed out of a 12-foot trench during the last

storm and that it will have to be unriveted from end to end, the trench dredged, the pipe replaced and re-riveted.

"He will say that the recent storm washed the concrete piers from under the 10-foot siphon, letting it down for a distance of three miles; that the heavy pipe collapsed; that it cannot be straightened to its round form by water pressure, as reported by the Times and by Mulholland, but that it will have to be unriveted, straightened and then riveted.

"The mayor will report that up in the mountains about five miles of the top of the aqueduct fell in last summer, filling the 12-foot channel nearly

level with sand and debris.

CAMPAIGN IS ON IN FULL SWING. TICKET CALLS FOR 3 TRUSTEES, CLERK AND TREASURER

It is very important that the electors of this city should know something about who the aspirants for public office are and what they stand for.

There will be three city trustees, one city clerk and one city treasurer elected, at the municipal election held at Tropico Monday, April 13th, and every citizen who registered is urgently requested to come out and vote for his or her candidate.

The retiring members of the present administration are slated for re-election, and are respectively Leigh Bancroft, L. H. Oliver and John Hobbs for trustees, S. M. Sweet for city clerk and S. E. Brown for city treasurer. The Tropico consolidated club has the following slate: For trustees, James Rich, Charles Henry and Allen E. Boyce; for city clerk, N. C. Burch; for city treasurer, Miss Litta D. Hibben.

The present administration stands for clean progressiveness in politics.

They believe that men in public office should give the city the best that is in them, and not merely put in time to draw their salaries. They stand for public improvements by

bond issues as far as possible, then each property owner so benefited pays in proportion to what they own. They are opposed to annexation to Los Angeles at this time.

The present administration has many public improvements under way and should be allowed to carry them out. A change in administration would mean a delay. There has never been, during their term of office, a time when any act of theirs could be considered unhandy. They have been open and above board at all times. Men who have had and will continue to have, the interests of Tropico and its development at heart. Men who are engaged in the various lines of business that fits them to the position they hold better than any others. Level headed and always sure of their steps. These facts should be considered when you go to the polls on April 13th.

Are you going to elect men who

will be for the betterment or the detriment of the future Tropico?

The Consolidation Club stands for only one issue. For the annexation of Tropico to Los Angeles, regardless of its future. Which will it be?

CONDITION OF THE LOS FELIZ BRIDGE

Both approaches to the Los Feliz bridge were washed out Saturday morning, February 21.

March 31 the bridge is still untouched.

Los Feliz bridge is in Los Angeles city.

The bridge could be repaired in a few hours.

Why doesn't Los Angeles do the work?

To Ed Ayres' Consolidated Club, who nominated James Rich, Charles Henry and A. E. Boyce for Trustees:

Why did you pledge yourselves to favor annexation to Los Angeles immediately?

Why isn't the Los Feliz bridge repaired?

What is Burrough government?

Knowing that San Pedro and Hollywood receive no notice from Los Angeles, will Tropico be an exception and receive consideration?

How many of the numerous promises made by Los Angeles to these cities have been fulfilled to date?

What police protection have these two burroughs?

What fire protection have these two burroughs?

Will Tropico be an exception in this matter?

What became of San Pedro's new auto fire truck when they annexed to Los Angeles?

What will become of the fire truck Tropico has on the way?

EXCURSION TO CIRCUS

SPECIAL CHEAP RATES TO LOS ANGELES FOR SELLS-FLOTTO AND BUFFALO BILL SHOW

The arrival of the Sells-Flotto Circus and Buffalo Bill (himself) in Los Angeles on April 13, 14, 15 will bring cheap excursions from this place and other nearby towns. Trains will arrive at Los Angeles in plenty of time for visitors to see the free two-mile street parade and to do their shopping before the main performance.

The Sells-Flotto Circus and Buffalo Bill (himself) is double its former size this year. In addition to presenting the best of animal and circus acts, Buffalo Bill himself will appear with his retinue of soldiers, cowboys, Indians, riders, ropers and ranch girls, in a drama of civilization entitled "Warpath," which depicts the progress of the West from the time of the frontier to the present day. The price remains as low as ever, a general admission of 25 cents.

"He will admit that the Haiwee reservoir is leaking so badly that it is entirely out of commission and will never be of any service to the city. He will find that it will be necessary to build the aqueduct around the reservoir for a distance of seven miles; that this would, in a few years, give the city approximately 5000 inches (instead of 20,000 inches) of water during the rainy seasons and that during the summer months, when the ranchers of Owens valley need the water for irrigation purposes, the city would be without a supply.

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NOTICE

Every citizen of Tropico is invited to use the columns of this paper, and you are urged to do so. All articles must be in this office not later than Tuesday and must bear signature of writer.

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 162

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF TROPICO, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO IMPROVE BRAND BOULEVARD, AND PORTIONS OF PARK AVENUE, CYPRESS STREET, TROPICO AVENUE, DEPOT STREET AND SAN FERNANDO ROAD IN SAID CITY AND DETERMINING THAT BONDS SHALL BE ISSUED TO REPRESENT THE COST THEREOF, AND DECLARING THE WORK OR IMPROVEMENT TO BE OF MORE THAN LOCAL OR ORDINARY PUBLIC BENEFIT AND THAT THE EXPENSE OF SAID WORK SHALL BE ASSESSED UPON A DISTRICT.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico do resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That the public interest and convenience require it is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, State of California, to order the following street work to be done in said City, to-wit:

FIRST: That the East and West roadways of Brand Boulevard, from the Northerly boundary line of the City of Tropico to the Northeastern line of the Right of Way of the Southern Pacific Railway Company, including all intersections of streets and alleys (excepting therefrom such portions of said Brand Boulevard and intersections as are required by law to be kept in order or repair by any person or company having railroad tracks thereon) be graded and paved to the official line and grade, with hydraulic cement concrete base five inches in thickness, with a wearing surface of asphaltic oil and screenings one-half inch in thickness, in accordance with Plan No. 39, Profiles No. 30 and 41, and cross-sections No. 38, and in further accordance with special specifications for the grading and paving with concrete base and asphaltic oil and screenings wearing surface of Brand Boulevard in the City of Tropico, which said specifications were duly adopted for said work by Resolution No. 160 of the Board of Trustees of said city.

SECOND: That a cement curb be constructed along the East and West roadways of Brand Boulevard, from the Northerly boundary line of the City of Tropico to the Northeastern line of the Right of Way of the Southern Pacific Railway Company, including all intersections (excepting along such portions of said roadway upon which a cement curb has already been constructed and now is to the official line and grade, and of a dimension not smaller than Class "B," as described in the hereafter named specifications), and also that a cement curb be constructed along both the East and West lines of that certain strip of land 40 feet in width belonging to the Pacific Electric Railway Company and being held by such company as a private right of way, from the South line of Park Avenue to the north line of Cypress Street, and from the South line of Cypress Street to the North line of Tropico Avenue. The outer or street face of said curb to be placed respectively one foot East and West from the East and West lines of said right of way. All curbs shall be constructed in accordance with Plan No. 39, cross-sections No. 33 and Profiles No. 30 and 41 and in further accordance with special specifications for the construction of cement curbs upon Brand Boulevard in the City of Tropico, which said special specifications were adopted for said work by Resolution No. 160 of the Board of Trustees of said city, said curb to be of the Class designated as Class "B" curb in said specifications, and to be omitted over and across such portions of Brand Boulevard as are required by law to be kept in order or repair by any person or company having railroad tracks thereon.

THIRD: That a cement sidewalk five (5) feet in width be constructed along both side lines of Brand Boulevard from the Northerly boundary line of the City of Tropico to a line drawn 14 feet Southerly from and parallel with the Northerly line of Tropico Avenue (excepting along such portions of Brand Boulevard upon which a cement sidewalk four (4) or more feet in width has already been constructed and now is to the official line and grade, and that a cement sidewalk five feet six inches in width be constructed along both side lines

of Brand Boulevard from a line drawn 14 feet Northerly from and parallel with the Southerly line of Tropico Avenue to a line drawn 13 feet Southwesterly from and parallel with the Northeastern line of San Fernando Road. Excepting therefrom the sidewalk on the Westerly line of Brand Boulevard, from Cerritos Avenue to San Fernando Road. Said sidewalks to include full returns at all street intersections and to be constructed in accordance with Plan No. 39, Profiles No. 30 and 41, cross-sections No. 38 and in further accordance with special specifications for the construction of cement sidewalks upon Brand Boulevard in the City of Tropico, which said special specifications were adopted for said work by Resolution No. 160 of the Board of Trustees of said city, all sidewalks to be omitted over and across such portions of Brand Boulevard as are required by law to be kept in order or repair by any person or company having railroad tracks thereon.

FOURTH. That corrugated iron and concrete culverts be constructed at the intersections of Brand Boulevard with Park Avenue, Cypress Street, Tropico Avenue, Depot Street and San Fernando Road. Said culverts to be constructed between the points, on the lines and grades, and with the appurtenances designated therefor on Plans No. 39, 37, 36, Profiles No. 30 and 41, and cross-sections No. 38 and in further accordance with special specifications for the construction of corrugated iron and concrete culverts upon portions of Brand Boulevard, Park Avenue, Cypress Street, Tropico Avenue, Depot Street and San Fernando Road in the City of Tropico, which said special specifications were adopted for said work by Resolution No. 160 of the Board of Trustees of said city. All culverts above referred to are to be omitted upon such portions of said Brand Boulevard and intersections as are required by law to be kept in order or repair by any person or company having railroad tracks thereon. The East and West roadways of Brand Boulevard herein referred to, are the roadways of said Brand Boulevard lying respectively East and West of that certain strip of land belonging to the Pacific Electric Railway Company and being held by such Company as a private right of way.

SECTION 2. That the said contemplated work or improvement, in the opinion of the said Board of Trustees, is of more than local or ordinary public benefit, and said Board of Trustees hereby declares that the district in the said City of Tropico benefited by said work or improvement, and to be assessed to pay the costs and expenses thereof, is described as follows:

All that portion of the City of Tropico included within the following described exterior boundary line, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the Northerly boundary line of the City of Tropico midway between the East line of Central Avenue and the West line of Brand Boulevard, thence Southerly parallel with the West line of Brand Boulevard to a point on the Northeastern line of San Fernando Road. Thence Southeasterly in a direct line to the most Northerly corner of Block 1 of Tract No. 910 as per map recorded in Book 16, Page 133 of Maps. Thence Southwesterly along the Northwest line of said Block 1 and the Southwesterly prolongation of said Northwest line of said Block to the Southwest boundary line of the City of Tropico mid-way between the East line of Central Avenue and the West line of Brand Boulevard, thence Southeasterly parallel with the West line of Brand Boulevard to a point on the Northeastern line of San Fernando Road. Thence Southeasterly along the Southwesterly prolongation of said Northwest line of said Block to the most Northerly corner of Block 1 of Tract No. 1578 as per map recorded in Book 20, Pages 158 and 159 of Maps. Thence Northerly along said Block 1 of Tract No. 1578 to the most Easterly corner of said Lot 7. Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the most Southerly corner of Lot 18, Block 2 of said Tract No. 1578. Thence Northeasterly along the Southwesterly prolongation of said Northwest line of Lots 18 and 7, Block 2 of said Tract No. 1578 to the most Easterly corner of said Lot 7. Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the most Southerly corner of Lot 18, Block 2 of said Tract No. 1578. Thence Northeasterly along the Southwesterly prolongation of said Northwest line of Lots 18 and 7, Block 2 of said Tract No. 1578 to the most Easterly corner of said Lot 7. Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the most Southerly corner of Lot 18, Block 2 of said Tract No. 1578. 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Antiquity of Spectacles.

The ordinary magnifying spectacles with convex lenses came into use some time near the end of the thirteenth century. Their invention is generally attributed to two Italians, Arnati and Spina. As a matter of fact at this time old people in Germany were wearing glasses. According to G. H. Oliver, writing in the British Medical Journal, the first use of concave lenses was of much later date, probably not until the middle of the sixteenth century. It appears that at first the doctors were down on glasses because they interfered with the sale of lotions for weak eyes. Their first mention by a doctor is credited to Bernard Gordon, professor in Montpellier, who informed the world that they were unnecessary, thanks to his wonderful lotions. In these early days their use was limited for many reasons. They were clumsy and ill shaped, making the wearer conspicuous and subjecting him to ridicule oftentimes of far from gentle type. And above all they were very expensive. For example, Dr. Oliver says, "At the end of the sixteenth century the price per pair, expressed in terms of present day value, was from \$50 to \$100."

Ginseng In China.

Much of the American ginseng sent to China brings small prices because it shows cultivation, being smooth, round and light in color. What is wanted is the wild looking root. The central theory of the use of ginseng decoction is that it combines in itself the virtues of nature—wind, water, woods, the elements and wild nature generally; hence the gnarled, twisted wild root is the ideal, and any domesticated or cultivated variety is merely a substitute. This substitute ought to be as near like the wild as possible. If the root grows in the shape of or seems to bear some resemblance, even by severe stretch of the imagination, to some animal it has increased virtue in the trade. For this and similar reasons it is necessary that the small head of the root joined to the rest of the root by a small neck shall remain a part of the product. Breaking off such little heads reduces the value of the root in the Chinese market by fully half, as a rule.—Chicago News.

Juvenile Financial Genius.

"Johnnie," said a prominent mine operator to his youngest the other day, "I'll give you a dollar if you'll dig up the front yard for your sister's new garden." "All right," said Johnnie thoughtfully. "But I shall have to ask for 25 per cent of the contract price in advance. Not as an evidence of good faith, but for working capital." "But what do you mean?" "Well, you see, I guess I'll bury the quarter somewhere and tell all the boys in the neighborhood that a pirate hid some treasure round there. When they strike that quarter they'll make the dirt fly. I can tell you. In that way I can clean up about 75 per cent. In fact, I—" "Well, what?" "In fact, I don't know but what I can also arrange so as to find that quarter myself. I'll work it just like that salted mine you were telling mamma about unloading on the street last night." And the father wept tears of joy.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Jewels of London's Lord Mayor.

The gold chain and jeweled insignia of the lord mayor of London are among the most wonderful ornaments in the world, being composed of pure gold and adorned with an enormous number of diamonds. Their value has been estimated at not less than £120,000. Every lord mayor, before he is elected, is called upon to enter into a bond for their safe custody during his term of office, and before he resigns the insignia at the close of his mayoralty they are most carefully examined by special jewelers in order to see that during the year's wear its diamonds have not been loosened in their holdings and that his successor may wear them without anxiety. No wonder that when the lord mayor is wearing all the insignia of his proud position he is a special object of attention by a special police guard.—London Saturday Journal.

Thunder.

When clouds are driven past one another by wind currents electricity of a frictional kind is produced. Lightning is caused by the passing of the electricity between the two clouds or from a cloud to the earth. As it travels it expands and drives the air in front of it. When the lightning has passed the air that was driven away returns with a rush, and it is this rush which causes the noise of thunder.—Pearson's Weekly.

He Won.

Mrs. Bacon—What's the matter with Tommie's face and hands? They are badly swollen. Mrs. Egbert—You see, they offered a prize at his school for the boy who would bring in the greatest number of dead wasps, and Tommie won!—Yonkers Statesman.

Cinder in the Eye.

A railroad engineer who gets a cinder in his eye never rubs it; he rubs the eye that has no cinder in it. This starts the tears to flow in both eyes and probably washes out the cinder.

Posting the Judge.

Judge—Have you ever seen the prisoner at the bar? Witness—Never, your honor; but I've seen him when I've strongly suspected he's been at it—Boston Transcript.

Silent Heroes.

"To our silent heroes," little Willie read from the memorial bronze. "Pa, what are silent heroes?"

"Married men," said pa.—London Telegraph.

Conversational Inadverntence.

"Before we were married you told me I was as pretty as a picture."

"And so you were, Henrietta," replied Mr. Meekton. "But they have been getting out a lot of handsome postcards since then."—Washington Star.

Railway Collisions.

It is a curious fact that in railway collisions nearly all the passengers who are asleep escape the bad effect of shaking and concussion. Nature's own anaesthetic preserving them.

ORDINANCE NO. 73

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF TROPICO REGULATING THE COLLECTION AND REMOVAL OF GARBAGE AND RUBBISH IN SAID CITY, AND FIXING A PEN- ALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. The word "garbage" as used in this Ordinance shall mean and include any and all animal refuse or waste derived from the preparation, use, consumption, decay, dealing in or storage of meat, fish, fowls or vegetables. Rubbish shall include all refuse matter other than garbage as above defined and shall include paper, straw, hay, packing materials, trimmings from lawns, trees, plants or flower gardens and other combustible material and shall also include ashes, crockery, bottles, glass, stone, brick, tin or metal cans, wire and metals.

SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to remove or convey, or cause or permit to be removed or conveyed any garbage upon or along any public street, alley or other public place in the City of Tropico; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to any person, firm or corporation with whom the City of Tropico has entered into, or may hereafter enter into, a contract for the collection, removal and disposal of garbage, or to any employee of such contractor, during such time as such contract shall be in force.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of every owner, manager or person in possession, charge or control of any boarding-house, restaurant, hotel, apartment or eating-house; and of every person occupying a dwelling or flat within the City of Tropico, to provide or cause to be provided, and at all times to keep, or cause to be kept, as in this Ordinance prescribed, portable vessels, tanks or receptacles for holding garbage. Each such vessel, tank or receptacle shall be constructed of metal and shall be water tight and shall be so constructed as to contain not less than three, nor more than sixteen gallons, and shall be provided with handle or handles on the outside thereof, and with a tight-fitting cover. Such cover shall not be removed, except when necessary to place garbage therein, or take garbage therefrom, and when so removed shall be immediately replaced. Each such vessel, tank or receptacle, shall be kept or placed in the rear of the premises upon which it is located, except during the hours fixed for the collection of garbage therefrom, during which time such vessel, tank or receptacle shall be placed on the curb in front of the premises so that the same shall be accessible to the garbage collector when called for.

SECTION 4. It shall be unlawful for any person, other than the owner, or an officer or employee of said city, or an employee of the person, firm or corporation, holding a contract with the City of Tropico, for the collection, removal and disposal of garbage, to interfere in any manner with any such vessel, tank or receptacle, or the contents thereof, or to remove any such vessel, tank or receptacle, from the location where the same was placed by the owner thereof, or to remove the contents from any such vessel, tank or receptacle. It shall be unlawful for any person to place, or cause or permit to be placed in such vessel, tank or receptacle, any substance other than garbage.

SECTION 5. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to deposit, or cause or permit to be deposited, any garbage upon, or in, any public street, alley or other public place, or upon any premises in the city of Tropico. The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to any animal or poultry killed for food unless in a state of decomposition, or condemned by the Health Officer of said City.

SECTION 6. All rubbish shall be kept in covered cans or vessels, which shall be provided by, and at the expense of each person, firm or corporation producing or accumulating garbage; and no poison, broken glass, cans, rags, dishwater, broken dishes, paper, or other rubbish as above defined shall be put into or mixed with said garbage.

SECTION 7. All garbage cans shall be kept in good sanitary condition by the householder and shall be washed out by said householder as often as is necessary, or when required so to do by the Health Officer of said City.

SECTION 8. All the garbage and waste matter shall be removed and disposed of by the collector or contractor outside of the corporate limits of said City, and said garbage shall be carried through said City in water-tight carts or wagons, so that the contents thereof shall not be offensive, and said carts and wagons shall be so loaded and drawn that none of their contents shall fall or spill therefrom, and every cart or wagon used for said purpose shall be kept clean.

SECTION 9. The city scavenger or garbage collector, and his assistants or employees, shall have the power of special sanitary inspectors without salary, in their line of duties for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this ordinance, but shall be subject to the orders of the Health Officer of said City.

SECTION 10. For the services of collection and disposal of garbage and rubbish as herein defined, the owner or occupant of the premises shall pay to the contractor or garbage collector, or his duly authorized agent, the sum of fifty cents per month, at the end of each calendar month, for each separate private residence, flat or suite of apartments, and the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) per month for each hotel, restaurant or boarding-house, and if such charges shall not be so paid, the garbage collector shall be under no obligation to collect or remove any garbage or rubbish from such premises until such charges have been paid. But if on account of absence, failure or neglect on the part of such owner or occupant to pay such charges, removal of such garbage or rubbish is ordered by the Health Officer of said City, then in that case the charges shall be paid by said City and shall be collected from the owner or occupant against whom such charge has been made by civil suit in any court of competent jurisdiction, and an additional sum in the amount of ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be included as penalty in the judgment rendered against such owner or occupant for the violation of this ordinance.

SECTION 11. For the services of the removal of dead animals, not included in the definitions of garbage and rubbish as herein defined, the following scale of prices shall be paid to the contractor by the owner of such animal, or the occupant of the premises from which it is removed, to-wit: For each horse, mule or head of cattle, two and 50-100 (\$2.50) dollars per head; for each calf or colt, under the age of one year, and for each dog, cat, sheep or hog, fifty cents (\$0.50) per head.

SECTION 12. The term "night soil" shall include and mean contents of privy vaults, cesspools, dry wells and sinks, and the garbage collector or contractor shall remove night soil and manure as often as required by the Health Officer or any person, firm or corporation accumulating the same, and shall charge for such services as follows:

For cleaning vaults, Ten (\$10.00) Dollars per cubic yard for all material removed; for removing contents of cesspools, Five (\$5.00) Dollars per load of not exceeding two cubic yards;

For removing stable manure, One Dollar (\$1.00) per cubic yard.

SECTION 13. It shall be the duty of every owner of any animal or poultry found dead within the City of Tropico, within 24 hours after the death of said animal or poultry, to remove the same, or cause it to be removed beyond the limits of the said City of Tropico. The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to any animal or poultry killed for food unless in a state of decomposition, or condemned by the Health Officer of said City.

SECTION 14. That the charges herein fixed to be paid by the owner or occupant of premises, from which dead animals are removed, shall be paid to the contractor or garbage collector in advance, and if such charges shall not be so paid the garbage contractor shall be under no obligation to collect or remove any garbage, dead animals, or other material until such charges have been paid, but if, on account of absence, failure, or neglect on the part of such owner or occupant to pay such charges, removal shall be made by the Health Officer of said City, then in that case the charges shall be paid for by the said City, and shall be collected from the owner or occupant against whom such charge has been made by civil suit in any court of competent jurisdiction, together with an additional penalty of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for violation of this ordinance. It is understood, however, that any charges which may be incurred by the City of Tropico, through its Health Officer for any such services, shall be paid to the garbage contractor, on the first of each month for services rendered during the preceding month, and not in advance as required in all other cases.

SECTION 15. For the purpose of this ordinance the terms "authorized agent," "garbage collector," or "contractor" shall mean any person, firm or corporation whom the said City of Tropico shall employ to remove and dispose of, or contract with for the removal or disposal of said garbage, waste matter, dead animals and fowl.

SECTION 16. That the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico shall let a contract to some person, firm or corporation, who will enter into a contract with said City and furnish a bond in the sum of \$500.00 for the faithful performance of such contract for the exclusive right and privilege for a period of one year, to collect, take and remove and dispose of the said garbage, rubbish, dead animals, poultry and other matter, as described herein, in accordance with the provisions thereof, under the

supervision of the Health Officer of the said city. The person, firm or corporation to whom such contract shall be let shall have the exclusive right and privilege to collect, take, remove and dispose of all the said garbage, waste matter, dead animals, poultry and other matter, as described herein, for a period of one year, and to collect and receive therefore the compensation and rates fixed for such services by the terms hereof, and

THE TROPICO INTERURBAN SENTINEL

RESOLUTION NO. 159

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF TROPICO CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON THE 13TH DAY OF APRIL, 1914, IN AND FOR SAID CITY OF TROPICO.

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, as follows:

SECTION 1. That there shall be held in the City of Tropico on Monday, the 13th day of April, 1914, a General Municipal Election by the qualified electors of the said City of Tropico for the purpose of electing the following city officers, to-wit:

Three members of the Board of Trustees;

City Clerk, and

City Treasurer.

SECTION 2. That for the holding of such election, said City of Tropico shall be and is hereby divided into two municipal election precincts, the boundaries and descriptions of which election precincts shall be and are hereby fixed as follows:

Election Precinct No. 1 shall embrace all that part of the City of Tropico lying east of the center line of the right of way of the Pacific Electric Railway, Glendale Branch.

Election Precinct No. 2 shall embrace all that part of the City of Tropico lying west of the center line of the right of way of the Pacific Electric Railway, Glendale Branch.

The polling place in each of said election precincts is hereby located as follows, and the Board of Election in each of said precincts for such general municipal election are hereby appointed as follows:

Election Precinct No. 1. Polling place, G. A. R. Hall, 620 North Glendale avenue, being on the east side of said Glendale avenue, between Acacia avenue and the north city boundary of the City of Tropico.

Inspectors:
Viola Daniel,
Lucile Crowell.

Judges:
Dora L. Howe,
Frank W. Bebee.

Clerks:
Frank E. Peters,
Andrew R. Ballentyne.

Election Precinct No. 2. Polling place, City Hall, located at the junction of Central Avenue and the San Fernando road in said City of Tropico.

Inspectors:
Wayne V. Frank,
Guy Maxwell.

Judges:
Della Hapgood,
Mary W. Seaman.

Clerks:
George A. Dodeon,
A. M. Duncan.

And the above named persons are hereby appointed to such offices respectively, and their compensation shall be \$4.00 each for all services.

SECTION 3. That the polls for said election must be opened at 6 o'clock a. m. of the day of election, and must be kept open until 7 o'clock p. m. of the same day, when the polls shall be closed; except and provided, however, that if at the hour of closing there are any other voters in the polling place or in line at the door, who are qualified to vote and have not been able to do so since appearing, the polls shall be kept open a sufficient time to enable them to vote. But no one who shall arrive at the polling places after 7 o'clock in the afternoon shall be entitled to vote, although the polls may be open when he arrives.

SECTION 4. That notice of the time and place of holding the said general municipal election is hereby given.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this Resolution, and shall cause the same to be published twice before the date of such election in the Tropico Interurban Sentinel, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated in the said City of Tropico, and the last of such publications shall be made at least one week before the date of holding such election.

Adopted this 19th day of March, 1914.

C. A. BANCROFT,
President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico.

(Seal.)

ATTEST:

S. M. STREET,
City Clerk of the City of Tropico.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CITY OF TROPICO—ss.

I, S. M. STREET, City Clerk of the City of Tropico, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, State of California, and signed by the President of

said Board at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 19th day of March, 1914, and that the same was passed by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES: Bancroft, Conrad, Hobbs, Oliver, Webster.

NOES: None.

Absent: None.

S. M. STREET,
City Clerk of the City of Tropico.

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RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO.

161

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF TROPICO DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO CONSTRUCT METAL STREET LIGHTING POSTS,

TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY WIRES, CONDUITS, LAMPS AND APPLIANCES UPON BRAND BOULEVARD IN SAID CITY AND DETERMINING THAT BONDS SHALL BE ISSUED TO REPRESENT THE COST THEREOF, AND DECLARING THE WORK OR IMPROVEMENT TO BE OF MORE THAN LOCAL OR ORDINARY PUBLIC BENEFIT, AND THAT THE EXPENSE OF SAID WORK SHALL BE ASSESSED UPON A DISTRICT.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico do resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That the public interest and convenience require and it is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tropico, State of California, to order the following street work to be done in said City, to-wit:

That eighty-one (81) metal street lighting posts be constructed along the West curb line of the West roadway and the East curb line of the East roadway of Brand Boulevard from the Northerly boundary line of the City of Tropico to the Northeastern line of the Right of Way of the Southern Pacific Railway Company, together with wires, conduits, lamps and appliances for the purpose of lighting with electricity all such portions of said Brand Boulevard, also that a metal conduit shall be constructed along the West curb line of the West roadway and the East curb line of the East roadway of Brand Boulevard, from the Northerly boundary line of the City of Tropico to the Northeastern line of the Right of Way of the Southern Pacific Railway Company, and connecting each of said metal lighting posts above described, and also that a metal conduit shall be constructed across the intersections of Brand Boulevard and San Fernando Road, Brand Boulevard and Tropic Avenue, and Brand Boulevard and Park Avenue, from the Easterly to the Westerly property lines of said Brand Boulevard, and connecting with the metal conduit to be constructed along the East curb line of the East roadway and with the metal conduit to be constructed along the West curb line of the West roadway of said Brand Boulevard. Said metal conduit to be placed six (6) inches Northerly from and parallel with the prolongation across said Brand Boulevard of the Southerly lines respectively of San Fernando Road, Tropic Avenue and Park Avenue. Said conduit is to be constructed for the purpose of conducting the feed wires across said Brand Boulevard and to be of the size designated in the hereinafter named special specifications. That insulated copper wire be laid inside said conduits to connect with each of the lamps in each of said metal lighting posts. All said metal lighting posts and metal conduits, together with insulated copper wire to be laid therein shall be constructed between the points, on the lines and grades, and with the lamps, appliances and appurtenances designated therefor as shown on Plans No. 40 and 41, Profiles No. 20 and 41 and Cross-section No. 44 and in further accordance with special specifications for the purpose of lighting with electricity Brand Boulevard, from the Northerly boundary line of the City of Tropico to the Northeastern line of the Right of Way of the Southern Pacific Railway Company in the City of Tropico, which said special specifications were adopted for said work by Resolution No. 160 of the Board of Trustees of said City.

SECTION 2. That the said contemplated work or improvement, in the opinion of the said Board of Trustees, is of more than local or ordinary public benefit, and said Board of Trustees hereby declares that the district in the said City of Tropico benefited by said work or improvement, and to be assessed to pay the cost of said work, to-wit:

All that portion of the City of Tropico included within the following described exterior boundary line, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the Northerly boundary line of the City of Tropico midway between the East line of Central Avenue and the West line of Brand Boulevard. Thence

southerly parallel with the West line of Brand Boulevard to a point on the Northeasterly line of San Fernando Road. Thence southeasterly in a direct line to the most Northerly corner of Block 1 of Tract No. 910 as per map recorded in Book 16, Page 133 of Maps. Thence Southwesterly along the Northwesterly line of said Block 1 and the Southwesterly prolongation of said Northwesterly line of said Block to the Southwesterly boundary line of the City of Tropico. Thence Southeasterly along said Southwesterly boundary line of said City to an intersection with the Southwesterly prolongation of the Southeasterly line of Lot 7, Block 3 of Tract No. 1578 as per map recorded in Book 20, Pages 158 and 159 of Maps. Thence Northeasterly along said Southwesterly prolonged line and Southeasterly line of Lot 7, Block 2 of said Tract No. 1578 to the most Easterly corner of said Lot 7. Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the most Southerly corner of Lot 18, Block 2 of said Tract No. 1578. Thence Northeasterly along the Southeasterly lines of Lots 18 and 7, Block 2 of said Tract No. 1578 to the most Easterly corner of said Lot 7. Block 2, Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the most Southerly corner of Lot 21, Block 1 of said Tract No. 1578. Thence Northeasterly along the Southeasterly lines of Lots 18 and 7, Block 2 of said Tract No. 1578 to the most Easterly corner of said Lot 8, Block 1. Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the most Southerly corner of Block D of the Santa Eulalia Tract as per map recorded in Book 16, Pages 78 and 79 of Maps (said point being also situated on the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue). Thence Northeasterly along the Westerly line of Glendale Avenue to the Southwest corner of Glendale Avenue and Cerritos Avenue. Thence Northwesterly in a direct line to the Southeast corner of Lot 8, Block 3 of the Tropic Boulevard Tract, as per map recorded in Book 4, Page 95 of Maps. Thence Northeasterly parallel with Brand Boulevard to the South line of Tropic Avenue. Thence Northwesterly across Tropic Avenue to the Southwest corner of the Thomas Subdivision, as per map recorded in Book 60, Page 86 of Miscellaneous Records. Thence Northeasterly along the Westerly line of said subdivision to the Northwest corner thereof. Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the Northwest corner of Cypress Street and Blanche Avenue. Thence Northeasterly along the Westerly line of Blanche Avenue to the Southwest corner of Blanche Avenue and Palmer Avenue. Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the Southeast corner of Lot 18, Block 1 of the Ayers Tract, as per map recorded in Book 8, Page 108 of Maps. Thence Northeasterly along the Easterly line of said lot to the Northeast corner thereof. Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the Northwest corner of Lot 10, Tract No. 481, as per map recorded in Book 15, Page 88 of Maps. Thence Northeasterly along the Easterly line of said lot to the Northeast corner thereof. Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the Southeast corner of Lot 10, Block 1 of Borthwick's Tract, as per map recorded in Book 8, Page 154 of Maps. Thence Northeasterly along the Easterly line of said lot to the Northeast corner thereof. Thence Northeasterly in a direct line to the Northwest corner of Lot 21, Block 2 of Borthwick's Tract. Thence Northeasterly parallel with the Easterly line of Damasco Court to an intersection with the Northerly boundary line of the City of Tropico. Thence Westerly along the Northerly boundary line of the City of Tropico to the point of beginning. Excepting therefrom any portion of any public street or alley which may be included within the above described assessment district, all as shown on Map No. 42 approved by the Board of Trustees of said City on the 23rd day of March, 1914, and on file in the office of the City Engineer of said City, to which said map reference is hereby made for a more complete and detailed description of said district. All references in said district are made to records of Los Angeles county, California.

SECTION 3. The said Board of Trustees declares that portion of the costs and expenses of said proposed work or improvement to be assessed against the lots, pieces or parcels of land described in Section 2½ of this Resolution shall be payable by the said City of Tropico out of the general fund.

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